UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

HASKELL G. GREER, KIM R. GREER ASHLEY GREER, CATERA B. GREER, KAILAA GREER, and ALEXANDER J. LAWRENCE,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 5:15-cv-12444-JEL-EAS HON. JUDITH E. LEVY Mag. Judge Elizabeth A. Stafford

V

CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK, a Municipal Corporation, HIGHLAND PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT, CHIEF KEVIN CONEY, SERGEANT RONALD DUPUIS II, WILLIAM MELENDEZ, BRIAN SHAFER, ERIC TAYLOR, CHARLES GARDNER, JEREMIAH HALL, JAMES MCMAHON, HOLLIS SMITH, ALLISON ASKIA, CHRISTOPHER ZEULLIG, TYRELL WHITE, and HEATHER HOLCOMB,

Defendants.

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Notice is hereby given that ALL DEFENDANTS, appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit from the "OPINION AND ORDER GRANTING IN PART AND DENYING IN PART DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR JUDGMENT ON THE PLEADINGS [27]" entered March 13, 2017 (See ECF No. 47). Through the entry of this order, the lower Court has denied Defendants' request for qualified immunity.

Although most denials of motions to dismiss are non-final orders that do not fall within Congress's statutory grant of appellate jurisdiction, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 1291, "a limited set of district-court orders are reviewable 'though short of final judgment." *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, 556 U.S. 662, 671 (2009). Pursuant to the collateral-order doctrine, "a district court's order rejecting qualified immunity at the motion-to-dismiss stage of a proceeding is a 'final decision' within the meaning of § 1291." *Id.* at 672. Therefore, the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals has appellate jurisdiction over the district court's order denying Defendants' motion to dismiss based on qualified immunity. *Id.*; *see also Heyne v. Metro. Nashville Pub. Sch.*, 655 F.3d 556, 562 (6th Cir. 2011).

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